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WORKSHOP ON OUTER SPACE AND ARMS CONTROL

MONTREAL, 14-17 MAY, 1987

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced that a workshop on the subject of outer space and arms control will be held in Montreal 14-17 May, 1987. The workshop will be part of Canada's ongoing contributions to the discussions at the Conference on Disarmament on the prevention of an arms race in outer space. Ambassadors to the Conference on Disarmament and other officials from 37 countries will participate. Ambassador J. Alan Beesley, Permanent Representative of Canada to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva and to the Conference on Disarmament, will host the workshop.

The workshop will afford an opportunity to these diplomats and senior officials to consider certain legal and technical questions as they pertain to the issue of the prevention of an arms race in outer space. Mr. Clark is also pleased to note that the Centre for Research of Air and Space Law of McGill University, as well as SPAR Aerospace Ltd., which have played an important part in Canada's verification research programme, are making substantive contributions to the workshop.